

## AMERICAN EMBASSY, NEW DELHI, INDIA

**VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: 12-093** 

**OPEN TO:** All Interested Candidates

**POSITION:** Media Specialist, LHS-10 (15344, LHS grades are equivalent

to FSN grades) (Contract Employee Agreement)

**Level I** (Trainee Level) – LHS 8 (FSN-08; FP-6)

**Level II** (Development Level) – LHS 9 (FSN-09; FP-5 step 1 thru 4) **Level III** (Full Performance) –LHS 10 (FSN-10; FP-5 step 5 thru 14) (The position will be filled at the appropriate level only, depending on

the selected candidate)

**OPENING DATE:** August 28, 2012

**CLOSING DATE:** September 11, 2012

**WORK HOURS:** Full-time; 40 hours/week

SALARY: Starting salary and grade will be determined on the basis of

qualifications and experience, and/or salary history.

ALL ORDINARILY RESIDENT (OR) APPLICANTS (See Definitions) MUST HAVE THE REQUIRED WORK AND/OR RESIDENCY PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

The U.S. Embassy in New Delhi is seeking an individual for the position of Media Specialist.

Please insert <u>12-093</u> (Vacancy Announcement Number) in the Subject of the E-mail. Applications without the Vacancy Number or with incorrect Vacancy Number will not be accepted.

Only short listed candidates will be notified within 14 days of the closing date. Notified candidates will be given tests to evaluate translation, English-language writing, and current events.

## **BASIC FUNCTIONS OF POSITION**

Duties will include coverage of media developments and breaking news, production of translations and multimedia, web content management, research, and written analysis. Incumbents will be required to work extended hours, weekends, and holidays and to travel periodically.

### **QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:**

- Knowledge of South Asian current affairs and media (degree-level or minimum 2-3 years of equivalent experience)
- Fluency in Urdu and Hindi and the ability to translate into idiomatic English from Urdu and Hindi
- Strong English writing skills.
- Strong technical skills and knowledge of social media, web content management and digital media tools.
- Self motivated individual with proven team working skills and flexibility

## **SELECTION PROCESS**

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When fully qualified, U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Members (USEFMs) and U.S. Veterans are given preference. Therefore, it is essential that the candidate specifically address the required qualifications above in the application.

# **ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA**

- 1. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, budget, and residency status in determining successful candidacy.
- 2. Current employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply.
- Current Ordinarily Resident employees with an Overall Summary Rating of Needs
   Improvement or Unsatisfactory on their most recent Employee Performance Report are not eligible to apply.
- 4. Currently employed U.S. Citizen EFMs who hold a Family Member Appointment (FMA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment.
- 5. Currently employed NORs and hired under a Personal Services Agreement (PSA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment unless currently hired into a position with a When Actually Employed (WAE) work schedule.

### TO APPLY

By COB 07 September 2012, please submit your CV with a covering letter identifying how you meet the above qualifications and clearly stating your interest, qualifications, and language expertise to: NDVacancies@State.gov

#### OR

### **SUBMIT APPLICATION TO**

U. S. Embassy Human Resources Office Attention: S/HRO Shantipath, Chanakyapuri New Delhi 110 021

or

FAX: 2419-8056

or

E-mail: NDVacancies@state.gov

### POINT OF CONTACT

Telephone: 24198369/24198227

#### **DEFINITIONS**

- 1. <u>Eligible Family Member (EFM):</u> An individual related to a U.S. Government employee in one of the following ways:
  - Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in <u>3 FAM 1610</u>);
  - Child, who is unmarried and under 21 years of age or, regardless of age, is
    incapable of self-support. The term shall include, in addition to natural offspring,
    stepchildren and adopted children and those under legal guardianship of the
    employee or the spouse when such children are expected to be under such legal
    guardianship until they reach 21 years of age and when dependent upon and
    normally residing with the guardian;
  - Parent (including stepparents and legally adoptive parents) of the employee or of the spouse, when such parent is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support;
  - Sister or brother (including stepsisters and stepbrothers, or adoptive sisters or brothers) of the employee, or of the spouse, when such sibling is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support, unmarried, and under 21 years of age, or regardless of age, incapable of self-support.
- 2. <u>U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM):</u> For purposes of receiving a preference in hiring for a qualified position, an EFM who meets the following criteria:
  - U.S. Citizen; and,
  - EFM (see above) at least 18 years old; and,
  - Listed on the travel orders of a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member assigned to or stationed abroad with a USG agency that is under COM authority, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and either:

- 1. Resides at the sponsoring employee's or uniformed service member's post of assignment abroad or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; or
- 2. Resides at an Involuntary Separate Maintenance Allowance (ISMA) location authorized under 3 FAM 3232.2.
- 3. <u>Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM):</u> EFM (see above) eligible for a Family Member Appointment for purposes of Mission employment:
  - Is a U.S. citizen; and
  - Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in <u>3 FAM 1610</u>) or a child
    of the sponsoring employee who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; and
  - Is listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126, Foreign Service
    Residence and Dependency Report, of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a directhire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is
    permanently assigned to or stationed abroad at a U.S. mission, or at an office
    of the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT), and who is under chief of mission
    authority; and
  - *Is* residing at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad or, as appropriate, office of the American Institute in Taiwan.
  - Does not receive a Foreign Service or Civil Service annuity
- 4. <u>Member of Household (MOH):</u> An individual who accompanies a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member permanently assigned or stationed at a U.S. Foreign Service post or establishment abroad, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan. An MOH is:
  - Not an EFM; and,
  - Not on the travel orders of the sponsoring employee; and,
  - Has been officially declared by the sponsoring USG employee to the COM as part of his/her household.

A MOH is under COM authority and may include a parent, unmarried partner, other relative or adult child who falls outside the Department's current legal and statutory definition of family member. A MOH does not have to be a U.S. Citizen.

- 5. **Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR)** An individual who:
  - Is not a citizen of the host country; and,
  - Does not ordinarily reside (OR, see below) in the host country; and,
  - Is not subject to host country employment and tax laws; and,
  - Has a U.S. Social Security Number (SSN).

NOR employees are compensated under a GS or FS salary schedule, not under the LCP.

- 6. Ordinarily Resident (OR) A Foreign National or U.S. citizen who:
  - Is locally resident; and,

- Has legal, permanent resident status within the host country; and,
- Is subject to host country employment and tax laws.

EFMs without U.S. Social Security Numbers are also OR. All OR employees, including U.S. citizens, are compensated in accordance with the Local Compensation Plan (LCP).

## **CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: (September 11, 2012)**

The U.S. Mission in New Delhi provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs.

The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices, and/or courts for relief.